

Gordon, Lisa Perras

From: Gordon, Lisa Perras
Sent: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 12:20 PM
To: Benante, Joanne; Godfrey, Annie
Cc: Cooper, Jamal; Wetherington, Michele; Baschon, Carol
Subject: FW: ATTENTION - Request: Ag Talking Pts for Ken Lapierre DUE COB Mon (6/12)
Attachments: 2017 June 13 SC Water Withdrawal Rule Update.docx

Joanne, Annie,

Connie has asked for a one-pager on the SC Water Withdrawal Rule for Ken Lapierre's talk to the SC Chamber of Commerce. It is a FYI just in case he gets a question on it. I dropped the Options paper from 4 pages to 1. Anyone have any thoughts before I send it on to Connie to give to Ken?

Lisa

From: Roberts, Connie
Sent: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 11:15 AM
To: Gordon, Lisa Perras <Gordon.Lisa-Perras@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: ATTENTION - Request: Ag Talking Pts for Ken Lapierre DUE COB Mon (6/12)

Thanks – the earlier the better. I have to have the compiled document to Ken Lapierre by COB TODAY.

From: Gordon, Lisa Perras
Sent: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 11:32 AM
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Connie,

Two things:

1. On a positive note - Would this be a good place for Ken to express support for innovation such as the advanced irrigation techniques being developed by Stripling? Robert Olive and I could put together a couple of bullets for you to look at using the handouts from Calvin and Casey
2. On a cautionary note - there is a Petition in front of us now on the SC Water Withdrawal Rule, which takes issue with uncontrolled water withdrawals by farmers which they contend are impairing large rivers and streams. A big issues. Mary Walker has been briefed on it and spoke with the State Commissioner about it last week. We have not responded to the Petition, but Ken could get questions on it, FYI. Let us know if he needs briefing material on this.

Lisa

From: Roberts, Connie

Sent: Wednesday, June 07, 2017 10:44 AM

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Importance: High

To All:

Ken Lapierre is speaking to the **SC Chamber of Commerce** later this month and has asked for ag-related talking points for his presentation. Ag will be only a part of his presentation, but we want to cover any highlights, messages or information appropriate for this group.

Ken **specifically requests points on water quantity, crop dusting, and pesticide use.**

I'll also revise and include the appropriate recent talking points submitted to Bryan Myers for the State Commissioners meeting on the **Worker Protection Standards, Certification and Training Rule, and National Water Quality Incentives Program**. (attached). It would be helpful if we added a SC specific talking point or two to these – if appropriate.

Kim & Pat -- I'll forward Ken the NASDA WPS letters provided to Bryan [also attached].

Mark & Duane – please provide a SC specific point for NWQI.

We should also add a talking point on **the status of the Waters of the US rule.**

Jennifer & Mike – Just a bullet or two will be helpful. I know we don't want to speak on this in detail.

There may also be points we'd like to add on **partnerships, watersheds, nonpoint source, water quality, Zika, groundwater, source water, or any other SC ag-related topic of interest.** Also, please provide any related background information/issue papers as appropriate.

Ken has asked for a very tight turnaround on this information. Therefore, please send me your talking points and information **NO LATER THAN COB Mon (6/12).**

Please give me a call if you have any questions.

Thanks

Connie L. Roberts

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